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FIELD CROP ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

Crop	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production		
	2004	2005	2004	2005 Estimate	Unit	2004	2005 Estimate	Unit	2004	2005 Estimate
	1,000 Acres								Thousands	
CALIFORNIA										
Wheat, Winter 1/	560.0	495.0	320.0	300.0	Tons	2.55	2.16	Tons	816.0	648.0
Wheat, Durum	120.0	75.0	100.0	69.0	Tons	2.70	2.85	Tons	270.0	196.7
Oats 1/	240.0	270.0	25.0	20.0	Tons	1.36	1.20	Tons	34.0	24.0
Barley 1/	110.0	100.0	75.0	60.0	Tons	1.44	1.51	Tons	108.0	90.7
Corn, All	540.0	540.0	---	---	Tons	---	---	Tons	---	---
For Grain	---	---	150.0	110.0	Tons	4.90	4.82	Tons	735.0	529.8
For Silage	---	---	385.0	425.0	Tons	26.00	26.00	Tons	10,010.0	11,050.0
Rice, All	595.0	528.0	590.0	526.0	Cwt.	86.00	73.80	Cwt.	50,759.0	38,836.0
Long	7.0	9.0	7.0	9.0	Cwt.	73.00	71.00	Cwt.	511.0	639.0
Medium	540.0	465.0	535.0	463.0	Cwt.	88.00	75.50	Cwt.	47,080.0	34,957.0
Short 2/	48.0	54.0	48.0	54.0	Cwt.	66.00	60.00	Cwt.	3,168.0	3,240.0
Cotton, All 3/	775.0	660.0	771.0	657.0	Lbs.	1,540.00	1,191.00	Bales	2,473.0	1,630.0
Upland	560.0	430.0	557.0	428.0	Lbs.	1,543.00	1,178.00	Bales	1,790.0	1,050.0
American-Pima	215.0	230.0	214.0	229.0	Lbs.	1,532.00	1,216.00	Bales	683.0	580.0
Cottonseed	---	---	---	---	Tons	---	---	Tons	902.0	588.0
Sugar Beets 4/	49.1	44.4	48.9	44.1	Tons	40.80	38.70	Tons	1,995.0	1,707.0
Beans, Dry, All 5/ 6/	60.0	66.0	57.0	65.0	Cwt.	20.20	21.30	Cwt.	1,152.0	1,385.0
Hay, All	---	---	1,600.0	1,550.0	Tons	5.76	5.76	Tons	9,220.0	8,935.0
Alfalfa	---	---	1,050.0	1,000.0	Tons	7.00	6.90	Tons	7,350.0	6,900.0
Other	---	---	550.0	550.0	Tons	3.40	3.70	Tons	1,870.0	2,035.0
Safflower 7/	---	51.0	---	50.0	Lbs.	---	2,000.00	Lbs.	---	100,000.0
UNITED STATES										
Wheat, Winter 1/	43,350.0	40,433.0	34,462.0	33,794.0	Tons	1.31	1.33	Tons	44,983.0	44,973.9
Wheat, Durum	2,561.0	2,760.0	2,363.0	2,716.0	Tons	1.14	1.12	Tons	2,696.8	3,033.2
Oats 1/	4,085.0	4,246.0	1,787.0	1,823.0	Tons	1.04	1.01	Tons	1,851.1	1,838.0
Barley 1/	4,527.0	3,875.0	4,021.0	3,269.0	Tons	1.67	1.56	Tons	6,713.8	5,085.5
Corn, All	80,929.0	81,759.0	---	---	Tons	---	---	Tons	---	---
For Grain	---	---	73,631.0	75,107.0	Tons	4.49	4.14	Tons	330,598.4	311,138.0
For Silage	---	---	6,101.0	5,920.0	Tons	17.60	18.00	Tons	107,293.0	106,311.0
Rice, All	3,347.0	3,384.0	3,325.0	3,364.0	Cwt.	69.88	66.36	Cwt.	232,362.0	223,235.0
Long	2,587.0	2,751.0	2,571.0	2,734.0	Cwt.	66.30	64.93	Cwt.	170,445.0	177,527.0
Medium	711.0	578.0	705.0	575.0	Cwt.	83.25	73.75	Cwt.	58,689.0	42,408.0
Short 2/	49.0	55.0	49.0	55.0	Cwt.	65.88	60.00	Cwt.	3,228.0	3,300.0
Cotton, All 3/	13,658.6	14,195.4	13,057.0	13,702.6	Lbs.	855.00	831.00	Bales	23,250.7	23,719.0
Upland	13,409.0	13,925.0	12,809.0	13,434.0	Lbs.	843.00	824.00	Bales	22,505.1	23,064.0
American-Pima	249.6	270.4	248.0	268.6	Lbs.	1,443.00	1,171.00	Bales	745.6	655.0
Cottonseed	---	---	---	---	Tons	---	---	Tons	8,242.1	8,501.0
Sugar Beets 4/	1,345.6	1,294.8	1,306.7	1,238.9	Tons	23.00	22.30	Tons	30,021.0	27,654.0
Beans, Dry, All 5/ 6/	1,354.3	1,659.3	1,219.3	1,562.9	Cwt.	14.59	17.42	Cwt.	17,788.0	27,222.0
Hay, All	---	---	61,966.0	61,649.0	Tons	2.55	2.44	Tons	158,247.0	150,590.0
Alfalfa	---	---	21,707.0	22,389.0	Tons	3.48	3.38	Tons	75,481.0	75,771.0
Other	---	---	40,259.0	39,260.0	Tons	2.06	1.91	Tons	82,766.0	74,819.0
Safflower 7/	175.0	165.0	159.0	160.0	Lbs.	1,204.00	1,203.00	Lbs.	191,365.0	192,545.0

^{1/} Includes acreage planted during the preceding fall.

^{2/} Sweet rice acreage, yield, and production are included with short grain.

^{3/} Cotton yield is in pounds; production is in 480-pound net-weight bales.

^{4/} Relates to year of intended harvest in all States, except California. In California, related to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in Central California and to year of planting for over-wintered beets in Central and Southern California.

^{5/} Excludes beans grown for garden seed.

^{6/} Yield and production are on a clean basis.

^{7/} State estimates were initiated in 2005.

CALIFORNIA AND UNITED STATES COTTON

California's 2005 **Upland** cotton production is estimated at 1.05 million bales as of January 1, 41 percent less than last year and 5 percent below the December 1 forecast. This is based on 428 thousand acres for harvest. The yield calculates to 1,178 pounds per acre. Harvest was nearly complete by mid-December and was complete by the end of the month.

California's 2005 **American Pima** cotton production is estimated at 580 thousand bales, 15 percent below last year's crop. The 229 thousand acres for harvest are 7 percent above last year. By the end of December, harvesting was essentially complete.

U.S. **Upland** cotton production is estimated at a record-high 23.1 million bales, 2 percent above last year's production. The U.S. yield for Upland cotton is estimated at 824 pounds per acre, which is 19 pounds less than last year's record-high yield. The area harvested, at 13.4 million acres, is 5 percent above 2004. Upland planted acreage is estimated at 13.9 million acres, 4 percent above last year.

U.S. **American Pima** production is estimated at 655 thousand bales, 12 percent below last year's output. The average yield is 1,171 pounds per harvested acre, 272 pounds below last year's yield.

HAY STOCKS

Stocks of all hay on California farms totaled 1.80 million tons as of December 1, 2005. This was 2 percent above the 1.77 million tons on hand a year earlier.

As of December 1, 2005, United States hay stocks on farms were 105 million tons. This was 8 percent below the 115 million tons on hand December 1, 2004.

HAY STOCKS ON FARMS

State	May 1		December 1	
	2004	2005 <u>a/</u>	2004 <u>a/</u>	2005
	1,000 Tons			
California	306	215	1,770	1,798
Arizona	55	35	250	350
Nevada	121	80	741	788
Oregon	371	362	2,366	1,790
Utah	279	300	1,383	1,355
United States	25,947	27,758	114,516	105,056

a/ Revised.

WINTER AND DURUM WHEAT SEEDING

California farmers are expected to seed 430 thousand acres of winter wheat for the 2006 crop, 13 percent below the 2005 crop. Seeding should finish this month in California. The winter wheat crop condition at the end of November was rated at 52 percent of good-to-excellent, compared with 76 percent last year.

The U.S. winter wheat seeded area for 2006 is expected to total 41.4 million acres, 2 percent above 2005. Seeding began last August and was behind the 5-year average pace. This was due to a lack of moisture in the Southern Great Plains during September and October. Nearly all of the U.S. acreage was seeded by December 1.

Durum wheat seeding in Arizona and California for the 2006 harvest are estimated at 145 thousand acres. This total is down 6 percent from their 2005 level. Planting is ongoing in California's San Joaquin and Imperial valleys. The crop's emergence has been slow due to dry weather.



WINTER AND DURUM WHEAT SEEDING

Area	2004	2005 <u>a/</u>	2006	2006 2005
	1,000 Acres			Percent
WINTER WHEAT				
California	560	495	430	87
United States	43,350	40,433	41,367	102
DURUM WHEAT				
California	120	75	75	100
Arizona	100	80	70	88
United States	2,561	2,760	<u>b/</u>	<u>b/</u>

a/ Revised.

b/ To be published in "Prospective Plantings" on March 31, 2006.

CALIFORNIA RICE CROP DOWN 23 PERCENT

California farmers produced 38.8 million cwt. of rice in 2005. This was 23 percent below the 50.8 million cwt. produced in 2004. The 2005 crop included 639 thousand cwt. of long grain rice, up 25 percent from the 511 thousand cwt. produced in 2004. Medium grain production totaled 35.0 million cwt., 26 percent below the 2004 crop. Short grain production was 3.24 million cwt., 2 percent above the previous year. The overall yield of 7,380 pounds per acre was 1,220 pounds below 2004.

United States rice production totaled 223 million cwt. in 2005, 4 percent below last year's record-crop. Area for harvest, at 3.36 million acres, is up 1 percent from 2004. The average yield for all U.S. rice is estimated at 6,636 pounds per acre, which is 352 pounds below the 2004 yield.

CALIFORNIA DECEMBER 1 ROUGH RICE STOCKS

On December 1, California rough rice stocks in all positions totaled 30.4 million cwt., 31 percent below last year. Warehouses accounted for 27.8 million cwt. of the total rough rice stored. Stocks being stored on farms accounted for 2.63 million cwt., with the remaining being stored in mills and ports.

CALIFORNIA ROUGH RICE STOCKS

Month	Season		
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
	1,000 Cwt.		
December 1	33,380	44,111	30,395
March 1	22,014	31,434	
August 1	9,422	10,480	
October 1 a/	4,800	5,055	

a/ Small amount of on-farm stocks included in off-farm total.

DECEMBER 1 ROUGH AND MILLED RICE STOCKS

Type of Rice	2004	2005
	1,000 Cwt.	
ROUGH RICE		
Long Grain	a/	a/
Medium Grain	40,837	26,934
Short Grain	a/	a/
TOTAL ROUGH RICE	44,111	30,395
MILLED RICE		
Whole Kernels (Head Rice)		
Long Grain	7	7
Medium Grain	784	969
Short Grain	30	73
Total	821	1,049
Broken Kernels		
Second Heads b/	156	a/
Screenings	---	---
Brewers	24	a/
Total	180	a/
TOTAL MILLED RICE	1,001	a/

a/ Not published to avoid disclosure of individual reports.

b/ Includes screenings.

GRAIN STOCKS

Stocks of wheat in California totaled 489 thousand tons on December 1, 2005, 4 percent above the 468 thousand tons on hand a year earlier. U.S. stocks of all wheat, at 42.9 million tons, were fractionally below December 1, 2004.

Barley stocks in California totaled 30.3 thousand tons on December 1, 2005, 38 percent above a year earlier. U.S. barley stocks, at 4.99 million tons, were 15 percent below the December 1, 2004 total.

Off-farm stocks of corn in California totaled 225 thousand tons on December 1, 2005, 21 percent below a year earlier. U.S. stocks of corn in all positions totaled 275 million tons.

GRAIN STOCKS IN ALL POSITIONS

(Includes stocks under support and government owned grain.)

Grain and Position	Dec. 1, 2004	Sept. 1, 2005	Dec. 1, 2005
	Tons		
ALL WHEAT			
California			
On-Farm	27,000	39,000	21,000
Off-Farm 1/	441,300	607,350	468,090
Total	468,300	646,350	489,090
U.S. Total	42,909,780	57,698,730	42,885,930
BARLEY			
California			
Off-Farm 1/ 2/	21,984	40,848	30,312
U.S. Total	5,903,424	6,117,864	4,991,640
OATS			
California			
Off Farm 1/ 2/	5,760	5,264	3,920
U.S. Total	1,678,608	1,816,048	1,531,760
CORN			
California			
Off-Farm 1/ 2/	282,800	97,440	224,672
U.S. Total	264,669,664	59,191,216	274,759,380
SORGHUM GRAIN			
California			
Off-Farm 1/ 2/	8,568	2,044	5,376
U.S. Total	7,901,740	1,594,348	8,088,948

1/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors.

2/ California on-farm stocks and total stocks for barley, corn, oats and sorghum are included in United States totals.

FALL POTATO PRODUCTION AND JANUARY 1 STOCKS

California's fall potato stocks were estimated at 1.30 million cwt. as of January 1, 2006, 43 percent below last year. The amount in storage on January 1 represents 40 percent of the production, compared to 63 percent a year ago.

The 13 major potato States held 219 million cwt. of potatoes in storage on January 1, 2006, 7 percent below last year and 6 percent below January 1, 2004. Ohio and Pennsylvania were dropped from the potato stocks program starting with the 2005 storage season. Potatoes in storage account for 59 percent of the 2005 fall storage States' production, unchanged from last year. Stocks by type were 2 percent red, 10 percent round whites, 2 percent long whites (Shepody), and 86 percent russets, with a smaller percentage of reds and long whites, but a larger percentage of russets than a year ago.

Disappearance, of 154 million cwt. from the start of harvest to January 1, is down 7 percent from last year. Shrink and loss, at 16.2 million cwt., is 14 percent below last year.

Processors have used 81.7 million cwt. of 2005 crop potatoes so far this season, down 5 percent from a year ago and 7 percent below two years ago. Idaho, Oregon, and Washington's total processing dropped 6 percent below last season. Dehydrating-usage accounts for 16.0 million cwt. of the total processing, down 14 percent from last year and 13 percent below the same date in 2004.

Western States held 156 million cwt. of potatoes in storage on January 1, 5 percent below last year. Idaho's potato stocks are 12 percent below last year, Colorado's potato sheds stored 11 percent less than in 2005, and stocks in Montana are 3 percent below last season. Oregon's potato stocks are 14 percent above last year and Washington's potato sheds stored 7 percent more than last season.

Central States accounted for 49.5 million cwt. of potato stocks on January 1, 14 percent below last year. Minnesota's potato stocks decreased 4 percent and Wisconsin's stocks are down 7 percent from 2005. Nebraska's potato sheds stored 8 percent less than last season and stocks in North Dakota are 35 percent below January 1, 2005. Michigan potato sheds stored 2 percent more than last year.

Eastern States stored 13.8 million cwt. of potatoes on January 1, 4 percent below last year. Maine's potato sheds hold 10 percent less than last year, while New York's potato stocks increased 44 percent from a year ago.

FALL POTATO PRODUCTION AND JANUARY 1 STOCKS 1/

State	Crop of 2004			Crop of 2005			
	Production	Total Stocks Jan. 1, 2005	Percent of Production	Production	Total Stocks Dec. 1, 2005	Total Stocks Jan. 1, 2006	Percent of Production
	1,000 Cwt.			1,000 Cwt.			
California	3,648	2,300	63	3,240	1,600	1,300	40
Colorado	23,791	15,800	66	22,292	16,300	14,000	63
Idaho	131,970	84,500	64	116,975	84,000	74,500	64
Maine <u>2/</u>	19,065	12,800	67	15,736	12,800	11,500	73
Michigan <u>2/</u>	13,650	6,300	46	13,920	7,900	6,400	46
Minnesota	18,920	11,600	61	17,630	13,500	11,100	63
Montana <u>2/</u>	3,551	3,400	96	3,434	3,400	3,300	96
Nebraska	9,288	5,300	57	8,245	5,700	4,900	59
New York	5,184	1,600	31	5,226	3,100	2,300	44
North Dakota	26,765	17,500	65	20,500	14,000	11,300	55
Ohio <u>3/</u>	1,080	100	9	---	---	---	---
Oregon	19,775	14,500	73	22,023	19,000	16,500	75
Pennsylvania <u>3/</u>	2,640	1,100	42	---	---	---	---
Washington	93,810	43,000	46	95,480	52,000	46,000	48
Wisconsin <u>2/</u>	30,450	16,900	56	27,880	18,500	15,800	57
15-STATE TOTAL <u>2/ 4/</u>	403,587	236,700	59	372,581	251,800	218,900	59

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant the following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2005 totaled 24.7 million cwt.

2/ December 1, 2005 stocks revised.

3/ Stock estimates were discontinued in 2005.

4/ The 2005 crop had a 13-State Total.

WINTER POTATO PRODUCTION

Winter potato production for California is forecast at 3.12 million cwt., 11 percent below last year's crop. Harvested acreage is estimated at 12.0 thousand acres. Yields are forecast to be 260 cwt. per acre. Rain has been prevalent, but growers report no problems thus far and expect to receive average yields.

Nationally, production of winter potatoes for 2006 is forecast at 4.44 million cwt., down 9 percent from a year ago and 8 percent below 2004. Harvested acreage for the winter potato States (California and Florida) is estimated at 17.5 thousand acres, down 12 percent from 2005. The average yield is forecast at 254 cwt. per acre, 7 cwt. above last year.

WINTER POTATO PRODUCTION

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production		
	2005	2006 Forecast	2005	2006 Forecast	2005	2006 Forecast	2004	2005	2006 Forecast
	1,000 Acres				Cwt.		1,000 Cwt.		
California	14.0	12.0	14.0	12.0	250	260	3,250	3,500	3,120
Florida	6.0	5.7	5.8	5.5	240	240	1,568	1,392	1,320
TOTAL	20.0	17.7	19.8	17.5	247	254	4,818	4,892	4,440

SWEET POTATO PRODUCTION

California sweet potato production for 2005 is estimated at 3.51 million cwt., 9 percent above last year's crop. Harvested acreage is estimated at 11.7 thousand acres, 2 percent above 2004. The yield of 300 cwt. per acre is 7 percent above the previous year. Although planting started late in California due to rain, the crop progressed very well with above average yields.

Nationally, production of sweet potatoes in 2005 is estimated at 15.7 million cwt., 2 percent below last season and 1 percent below 2003. A decrease in harvested acreage more than offset an increase in yields. Growers harvested 87.8 thousand acres, 5 percent below last year. The yield per acre, at 179 cwt., is up 5 cwt. from the record-high yield in 2004.

SWEET POTATO PRODUCTION

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	1,000 Acres				Cwt.		1,000 Cwt.	
Alabama	2.8	2.7	2.3	2.5	165	150	380	375
California	11.5	11.7	11.5	11.7	280	300	3,220	3,510
Louisiana	16.0	18.0	15.5	17.0	150	145	2,325	2,465
Mississippi	16.0	16.7	15.3	16.6	170	180	2,601	2,988
New Jersey	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	140	130	168	156
North Carolina	45.0	36.0	43.0	35.0	160	170	6,880	5,950
South Carolina	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.9	120	150	96	135
Texas	3.0	2.7	2.8	2.6	140	50	392	130
Virginia	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	125	125	50	38
UNITED STATES	96.9	90.4	92.8	87.8	174	179	16,112	15,747

CALIFORNIA FIELD CROP PRICES - DECEMBER 2005

Prices received by California farmers at mid-December were above November for all potatoes, all types of hay, and Upland cotton lint. Dry edible beans, winter potatoes, fall potatoes, and cottonseed were below the previous month. Mid-December prices for wheat were not published due to possible disclosure of individual operations. There was insufficient data to establish a mid-December price for barley and oats. Prices were above a year earlier for dry edible beans, all potatoes, winter potatoes, fall potatoes, all types of hay, and Upland cotton lint. Cottonseed was below December 2004's level.

U.S. PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in December, at 114 based on 1990-92=100, increased one point (0.9 percent) from November. The Crop Index is up four points (3.8 percent), but the Livestock Index decreased two points (1.7 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for tomatoes, corn, strawberries, and lettuce. Lower prices were received for oranges, broilers, dairy, and grapes. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change, based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of dairy, wheat, oranges, and broilers offset decreased marketings of cattle, soybeans, grapes, and corn.

Preliminary All Farm Products Index is up three points (2.7 percent) from December 2004. The Food Commodities index, at 120, was unchanged from last month, but increased three points (2.6 percent) from December 2004.

The December All Crops Index, at 109, is up 3.8 percent from November and 4.8 percent above December 2004. From November, Index increases for vegetables, feed grains & hay, potatoes & dry beans, and oil-bearing crops more than offset the Index decreases for fruits & nuts.

The December Food Grains Index, at 116, is 0.9 percent above the previous month and 2.7 percent above a year ago. The December all wheat price, at \$115.67 per ton, is unchanged from November, but up \$2.34 from December 2004.

The December Feed Grains & Hay Index is 89, 7.2 percent above last month, but 4.3 percent below a year ago. The corn price, at \$67.14 per ton, is \$3.93 above last month, but \$5.72 below December 2004. The all hay price, at \$92.00 per ton, is 30 cents above November and \$6.00 above last December. Grain sorghum, at \$2.94 per cwt., is 12 cents above November, but five cents below December last year.

The December Cotton Index, at 81, is up 1.3 percent from November and 25 percent above last year. The December price, at 48.9 cents per pound, is up 0.4 cents from the previous month and 9.6 cents above last December.

The December Potatoes & Dry Beans Index, at 111, is 4.7 percent above last month and 9.9 percent above December 2004. The all potato price, at \$6.60 per cwt., is up 29 cents from November and \$1.24 above last December. The all dry bean price, at \$18.60 per cwt., is up 30 cents from the previous month, but \$8.40 below December 2004.

AVERAGE FARM PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS 1/

Commodity	Unit	CALIFORNIA			UNITED STATES		
		Dec. 2004	Nov. 2005	Dec. 15, 2005	Dec. 2004	Nov. 2005	Dec. 15, 2005
		Dollars					
Corn <u>2/</u>	Tons	---	---	---	72.86	63.21	67.14
Wheat <u>2/</u>	Tons	<u>3/</u>	95.33	<u>3/</u>	113.33	115.67	115.67
Oats <u>2/</u>	Tons	---	<u>4/</u>	<u>4/</u>	100.00	101.88	108.13
Barley <u>2/</u>	Tons	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>	<u>4/</u>	103.75	110.00	105.83
Sorghum Grain <u>2/</u>	Cwt.	---	---	---	2.99	2.82	2.94
Rice <u>2/</u>	Cwt.	---	---	---	7.37	7.44	7.56
Dry Edible Beans <u>2/</u>	Cwt.	38.40	46.40	44.60	27.00	18.30	18.60
All Potatoes <u>5/</u>	Cwt.	9.65	10.80	11.40	5.36	6.31	6.60
Winter	Cwt.	16.40	17.40	17.10	---	---	---
Spring	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Summer	Cwt.	---	---	---	---	---	---
Fall	Cwt.	7.90	8.10	8.05	---	---	---
All Hay, Baled <u>2/</u>	Tons	114.00	135.00	136.00	86.00	91.70	92.00
Alfalfa Hay, Baled <u>2/</u>	Tons	119.00	142.00	143.00	92.10	97.50	97.70
Other Hay, Baled <u>2/</u>	Tons	84.00	87.00	91.00	72.40	76.30	78.00
Upland Cotton Lint <u>2/</u>	Lbs.	0.545	0.573	0.586	0.393	0.485	0.489
Cottonseed	Tons	155.00	149.00	136.00	111.00	92.60	95.10

1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by farmers. They are averages for all grades, classes, and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

2/ Previous month revised to monthly average.

3/ Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

4/ Insufficient data to establish a price.

5/ Monthly average.

U.S. INDEX NUMBER OF PRICES RECEIVED AND PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

Index	1910-14 = 100			1990-92 = 100		
	Dec. 2004	Nov. 2005	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2004	Nov. 2005	Dec. 2005
Prices Received - Unadjusted						
All Farm Products	708	716 <u>a/</u>	722	111	113	114
All Crops	514	518 <u>a/</u>	536	104	105 <u>a/</u>	109
Food Grains	359	364 <u>a/</u>	367	113	115 <u>a/</u>	116
Feed Grains and Hay	333	297 <u>a/</u>	319	93	83 <u>a/</u>	89
Cotton	332	410 <u>a/</u>	413	65	80	81
Potatoes and Dry Edible Beans	510	537 <u>a/</u>	560	101	106 <u>a/</u>	111
Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities, Services, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates <u>b/</u>	1,786	1,901 <u>a/</u>	1,902	134	143	143
Parity Ratio <u>c/</u>	40	38 <u>a/</u>	38	83	79	79

a/ Revised.

b/ All production indexes as of 15th of month.

c/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Farm Wage Rates.

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